

BRAIDWOOD GARDEN CLUB

Minutes of meeting held on 21st January 2020

Braidwood Servicemen's Club

Meeting Commenced: 10:07 a.m.

Present: John Tuckwell, Fran Woods, Rosemary De Martin, Margy Gardner, Chris James, Bronwyn Johnson, Leonie Jolley, Jane Moore, Charmian Thomas, Jennie Marston, Amanda Scott.

Apologies: Nil

Previous Minutes: Were adopted.

Moved: Fran Woods Seconded: Bronwyn Johnson

1. Business Arising:

- a.* Jane has created a folder with archived AGM minutes from 2011 to 2018. Margy will put this with other archives from the beginning of the Braidwood Garden Club. Jane has also scanned the AGM minutes to create an electronic archive.
- b.* Jane has informed GCA that we don't want extra copies of the magazine.
- c.* John has written to QPRC re sensory garden and garden maintenance.
- d.* John has written to BULG re donation of Braidwood Brilliant Waratah once we have some decent rain. A letter from BULG written in 2010 has been archived.
- e.* John organised for us to support a vegetable prize at the Braidwood Show. No invoice has been received from the show committee and as the show has been cancelled for this year we will not need to follow this up.
- f.* Jane will forward the email inviting us to submit photos to GCA Facebook page to the publicity officer. To be discussed at the next meeting.
- g.* One of the orchids has died. Rosemary will continue to pamper the remaining one.

2. Correspondence:

In:

Garden Clubs of Australia - (i) GCA annual report; (ii) Minutes of the annual general meeting held 16/10/2019; (iii) Letter from the secretary GCA re our 40th anniversary – Jane to reply; (iv) Bulletins x 2; (v) 2 articles to be distributed to our members; (iv) to Fran re photos she submitted. – via snail mail – nil Emails – (i) Janice Seatonbury re watering her garden; (ii) Andrew Forster; (iii) Dee Murdoch re a place to stay.

Out: Emails – (i) QPRC; (ii) BULG; (iii) Yass re planned visit; (iv) Andrew Forster re talk in February; (v) MONA re holding AGM there; (vi) Magazine subscription; (vii) Membership number.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Today we have \$4896.70 in our account. Since the last meeting there has been \$1687 in and \$1850 out. We were out of pocket on the Christmas party by \$86. We now have 97\ members.

4. **Newsletter:**

Rosemary will send details of the February meeting. John has written about the Christmas party and Margy to put in photos. John will also put something about the upgrade to Lascelles Street.

5. **Bushfires:**

Discussion about how we could help members who have been affected by the bushfires. Article to go in the newsletter asking what help is needed; and to come back to the subject after feedback.

6. **Past Activities:**

- a. *12 December 2019.* 39 members attended the Christmas Party. Vanessa provided an excellent lunch and the quizzes were well received.

7. **Future Activities:**

- a. *13 February 2020* – Talk by Andrew Forster - Rosemary

Andrew agreed to talk to us in February. Rosemary contacted him today for his biography so it can be put in the newsletter. The committee to arrive at the club at 10:15 to set up; then the meeting to start at 10:30 with morning tea of coffee/tea and biscuits; the talk to commence at 11am followed by question time; and lunch at 12:30 provided by members whose surname starts with M – Z. Rosemary doesn't know if Andrew will need media equipment.

- b. *12 March 2020* – Local garden visits – Charmian

In view of the continuing bushfire problems, Charmian will check with all hosts to see if they are still happy for us to come.

- c. *9 April 2020* – Bus trip to Murrumbateman and Yass –

When the bus was booked it was pointed out that the 9th April is the day before Easter, the option of going the week before is not possible. It was agreed to try and change the bus trip to either March or May; John will contact Yass to see if this is feasible.

- d. *14 May 2020* – Araluen garden visits – Jennie

Araluen has also been caught up in the bushfires, so Jennie to check if we can visit there. The date may need to be changed (see c). Chris to check if Peter Marshall would be happy for us to visit, as it is thought that his deciduous trees acted as a fire break.

- e. *11 June 2020* – Presentation by Catherine Watson - John

No new information.

- f. *9 July 2020* – Workshop on Insect Hotels. - Chris

The parts for the outside of the hotels are ready; Chris still has to collect the bamboo.

- g. *13 August 2020* – AGM

John has written to Mona about having the AGM there, but has not received a reply so far.

- h. *Future ideas:*

Randal Lemin has a cousin, Barry Conn, who would be happy to come and talk to us. Julia Green has a good friend who will be speaking in Canberra about sun dials; this can be added to the newsletter, Rosemary had a brochure on a talk on the use of native plants and suggested it would be a good talk for us. 22nd September is our garden club's 40th anniversary, discussion on possible ways to celebrate. The president of GCA has offered to

attend, Jane to reply.

10. **Any other business:**

a. *Calendar; picture book, cards etc* – Fran

50 calendars were made and 12 remain unsold. Fran is also asking for an assistant website manager. John to check at the next meeting if there are any tech savvy people who would like to help Fran.

b. *Office bearers job description* - Jane

Whilst archiving AGM minutes Jane discovered job description for the office bearers. Jane to email these to the committee members for comment at the next meeting.

c. *Submission on proposed Lascelles Street improvements* - John

John proposed that we add to the original submission a request that council plant advanced trees so that we can have shade in our lifetime; this was seconded by Jennie and all agreed.

d. *Elm leaf beetle* – John

Finally the brochure is out, and was circulated with the December newsletter.

11. **Date of next meeting – Tuesday 25th February 2020 at 10 a.m.**

Meeting closed: 12.01 p.m.